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In re Application of :
Angus Peter Robson : DECISION ON PETITION
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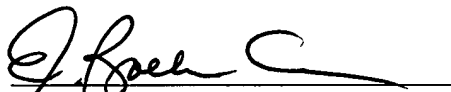
This is a decision on the petition filed on September 19, 2002 by which petitioner requests withdrawal of the examiner's holding that this application stands abandoned for failure to file a reply to the Office letter dated January 29, 2002. No fee is required for the petition.

The petition is granted.

Petitioner alleges that this application is not abandoned because a timely reply to the Office letter in question was in fact filed. This allegation is supported by a copy of the reply, and by a copy of a receipt for the reply showing that the reply was actually received in the Office on February 28, 2002. This showing clearly establishes that the application was not in fact abandoned.

Accordingly, the Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated, the holding of abandonment is withdrawn, and the application is restored to pending status. The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the reply filed on February 28, 2002.

PETITION GRANTED.


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